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Seeding progress continues to rapidly advance thanks to warm and dry weather. Saskatchewan producers now have 35 per cent of the crop in the ground. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is 10 per cent, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report.

Seeding is most advanced in the southwest, where producers have 58 per cent of the crop seeded. Fifty-one per cent of the crop is seeded in the southeast; 26 per cent in the west-central region; 23 per cent in the northeast; 21 per cent in the northwest and 17 per cent in the east-central region.

One year ago
Significant seeding progress was made thanks to dry weather. Thirty-four per cent of the 2015 crop had been seeded. Cool temperatures were delaying crop emergence and growth.

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Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 74 per cent adequate, 21 per cent short and three per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 61 per cent adequate, 32 per cent short and six per cent very short.

Seeding Progress in SK Per cent seeded All Crops	
May 9, 2016	**35**
May 11, 2015	34
May 12, 2014	7
May 6, 2013	1
May 7, 2012	5
May 9, 2011	5
5 year avg. (2011-2015)	**10**
10 year avg. (2006-2015)	**12**

Many areas of the province did not receive rain last week. However, significant rain received earlier this week in much of the province will help alleviate concerns in some areas about dry topsoil moisture conditions.

Producers are busy seeding, controlling weeds and moving cattle.

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Southeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 1 – Carnduff, Estevan, Redvers, Moosomin and Kipling areas; Crop District 2 – Weyburn, Milestone, Moose Jaw, Regina and Qu'Appelle areas; Crop District 3ASE – Radville and Lake Alma areas)

Thanks to warm and dry weather, seeding is progressing quickly in the region. Fifty-one per cent of the crop is now seeded, significantly up from 18 per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is 12 per cent. Some producers expect to be wrapped up in the next week if the weather co-operates.

Southeastern Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% seeded (May 9, 2016)**
1A	39
1B	40
2A	77
2B	44
3ASE	78
Region average	**51**

Much of the region did not receive any rain last week and concerns remain that topsoil moisture is quickly depleting. Some areas received rain starting Monday night that will help to replenish topsoil moisture, although additional moisture will be needed for crops to germinate and for pastures to green up. The Glenavon area has received the greatest amount of rainfall for the region since April 1 (44 mm).

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 67 per cent adequate, 29 per cent short and three per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 57 per cent adequate, 40 per cent short and three per cent very short. CD 2A is reporting that five per cent of the cropland and seven per cent of the hay land and pasture is very short topsoil moisture at this time.

There have been reports of field fires in some areas due to dry conditions. With the recent rainfall, some producers may be considering changing their seeding intentions now that moisture conditions have improved. Farmers are busy seeding, rolling pulses, controlling weeds and working fields.

Southwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 3ASW – Coronach, Assiniboia and Ogema areas; Crop District 3AN – Gravelbourg, Mossbank, Mortlach and Central Butte areas; Crop District 3B – Kyle, Swift Current , Shaunavon and Ponteix areas; Crop District 4 – Consul, Maple Creek and Leader areas)

Fifty-eight per cent of the region's crop is now seeded, significantly up from 35 per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is 22 per cent. Some producers have finished seeding operations, while many others need another week or two of good weather.

Southwestern Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% Seeded (May 9, 2016)**
3ASW	44
3AN	37
3BS	59
3BN	69
4A	59
4B	64
Region average	**58**

Much of the region did not receive any rain last week and there are concerns that topsoil moisture is depleting in some areas; however, a significant rainfall began on Monday night that brought much-needed moisture to the region. The Gull Lake area reports receiving 50 mm of rain on Monday night. Since April 1, the

Climax area has reported the greatest amount of precipitation (101 mm) for both the region and the province.

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as 77 per cent adequate, 22 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 54 per cent adequate, 39 per cent short and seven per cent very short. Crop District 3BN is reporting that 37 per cent of the cropland and 62 per cent of the hay land and pasture is short topsoil moisture at this time. CD 3BS is reporting that 23 per cent of the hay land and pasture is very short topsoil moisture.

With the recent rainfall, some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions as moisture conditions have improved.

Farmers are busy seeding, working fields, controlling weeds and rolling pulses.

East-Central Saskatchewan (Crop District 5 – Melville, Yorkton, Cupar, Kamsack, Foam Lake, Preeceville and Kelvington areas; Crop District 6A – Lumsden, Craik, Watrous and Clavet areas)

Seeding is well underway in the region thanks to warm and dry weather. Strong winds have helped to dry up those fields that were unable to support equipment a few weeks ago. Seventeen per cent of the crop is now seeded, up from two per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is four per cent. While some producers have been seeding for a week or more, others will be getting into the field in the coming days if the weather co-operates.

East-central Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% Seeded (May 9, 2016)**
5A	17
5B	10
6A	23
Region average	**17**

Very little rain was received last week in much of the region, although the Raymore area reported 10 mm. a rain storm earlier this week will help pastures green up and seeded crops germinate and emerge. The Esterhazy area has received the greatest amount of precipitation since April 1 (43 mm).

Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as four per cent surplus, 82 per cent adequate and 14 per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 80 per cent adequate, 15 per cent short and three per cent very short.

Farmers are busy starting seeding, controlling weeds and working fields.

West-Central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 6B – Hanley, Outlook, Loreburn, Saskatoon and Arelee areas; Crop District 7A – Rosetown, Kindersley, Eston, Major; Crop District 7B - Kerrobert, Macklin, Wilkie and Biggar areas)

Despite dry soil conditions, seeding is well underway in the region. Twenty-six per cent of the crop has now been seeded, significantly up from six per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is eight per cent. Many producers have been in the field for a week or more, while others are just nicely getting started.

West-central Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% Seeded (May 9, 2016)**
6B	20
7A	29
7B	29
Region average	**26**

The region did not receive any rainfall for the majority of last week; however, many areas received much-needed rain earlier this week that will help replenish topsoil moisture conditions and allow crops to germinate and emerge. The Perdue area reported 26 mm of rain this past week. The Perdue area has also recorded the greatest amount of rainfall for the region since April 1 (30 mm).

Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as one per cent surplus, 58 per cent adequate, 32 per cent short and nine per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 46 per cent adequate, 37 per cent short and 16 per cent very short. At this time, Crop District 7B is reporting that 13 per cent of the cropland and 36 per cent of the hay land and pasture is very short topsoil moisture. Additional moisture will be needed in the coming weeks to help improve field and pasture conditions.

With the recent rainfall, some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions as moisture conditions have somewhat improved. There are reports of grass fires in parts of the region and some producers are hauling water trailers from field to field as a precaution.

Farmers are busy seeding, working fields, controlling weeds and rolling pulses.

Northeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 8 – Hudson Bay, Tisdale, Melfort, Carrot River, Humboldt, Kinistino, Cudworth and Aberdeen areas; Crop District 9AE – Prince Albert, Choiceland and Paddockwood areas)

Producers have made significant seeding progress and 23 per cent of the crop is now in the ground, up from just one per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is three per cent. While most fields still have adequate moisture, rainfall will be needed in the near future to help crops germinate and emerge.

Northeastern Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% Seeded (May 9, 2016)**
8A	21
8B	20
9AE	38
Region average	**23**

Very little rainfall was received last week. The Prince Albert, Nipawin and Arborfield areas all report receiving 10 mm. Since April 1, the Nipawin area has reported the greatest amount of precipitation in the region (54 mm).

Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as two per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate, 11 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 82 per cent adequate, 17 per cent short and one per cent very short.

Warm, dry and windy weather in the region has helped dry up fields that were unable to support equipment a few weeks ago. Many roads and fields remain soft, however. Weed growth is heavy in some areas, and strong winds are delaying pre-seeding burn-off herbicide applications.

Farmers are busy seeding, controlling weeds and working fields.

Northwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 9AW – Shellbrook, North Battleford, Big River and Hafford areas; Crop District 9B – Meadow Lake, Turtleford, Pierceland, Maidstone and Lloydminster areas)

Seeding is now general in much of the region and 21 per cent of the crop is in the ground, up from three per cent last week. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is eight per cent. Warm temperatures and strong winds have dried up many fields and rainfall will be needed soon for crops to emerge and pastures to green up.

Northwestern Saskatchewan	
Crop District	**% Seeded (May 9, 2016)**
9AW	14
9B	27
Region average	**21**

Little to no rain was received this past week, although the Hafford area reported 4 mm. Since April 1, the Meadow Lake area has received 20 mm of precipitation, the greatest amount for the region.

Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as four per cent surplus, 73 per cent adequate, 16 per cent short and seven per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as three per cent surplus, 60 per cent adequate, 30 per cent short and seven per cent very short. At this time, Crop District 9AW is reporting that 15 per cent of the cropland and 17 per cent of the hay land and pasture are very short topsoil moisture.

Some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions if rain does not arrive soon, while others are waiting for weather to improve before seeding crops such as canola.

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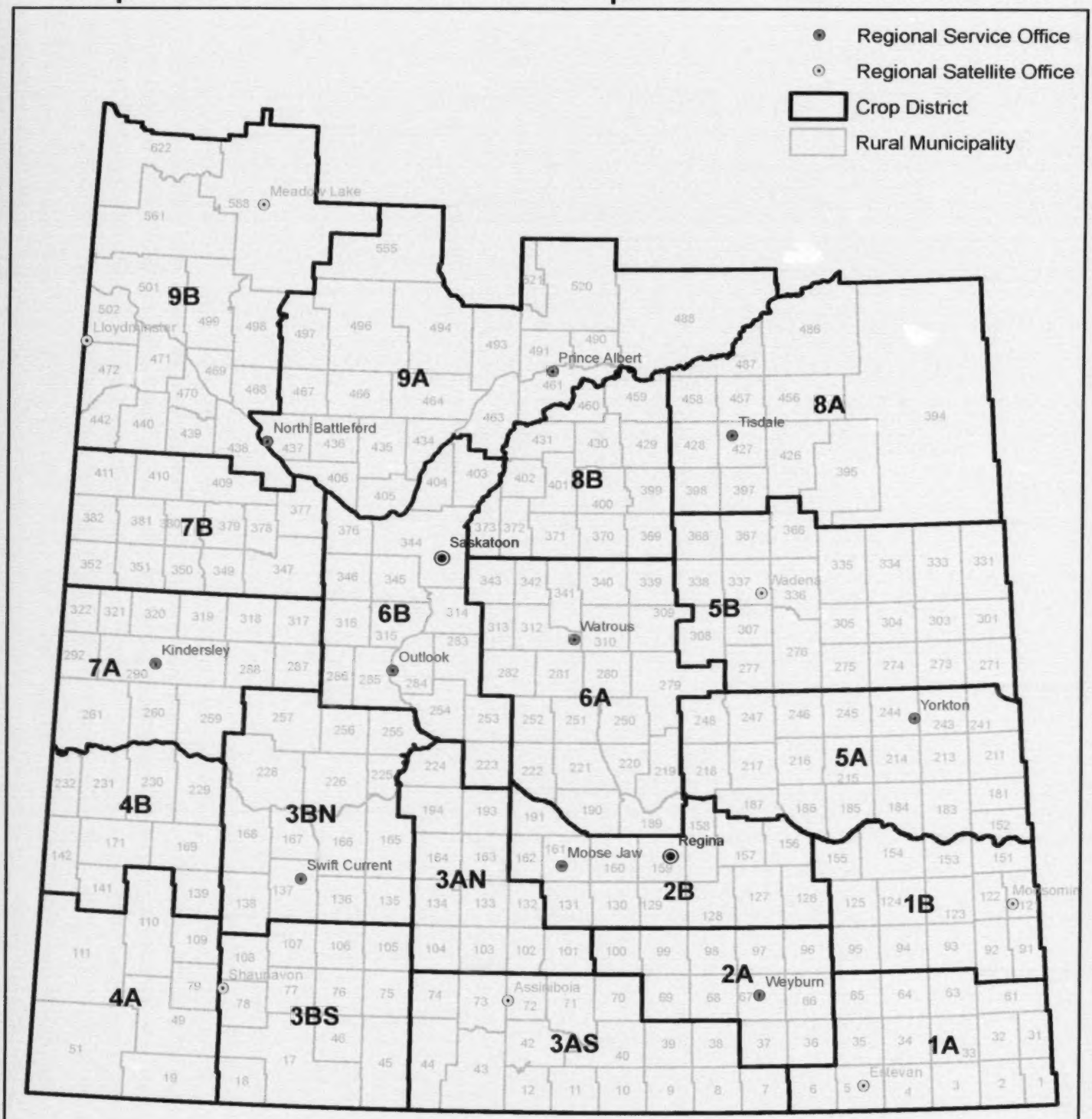
Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan



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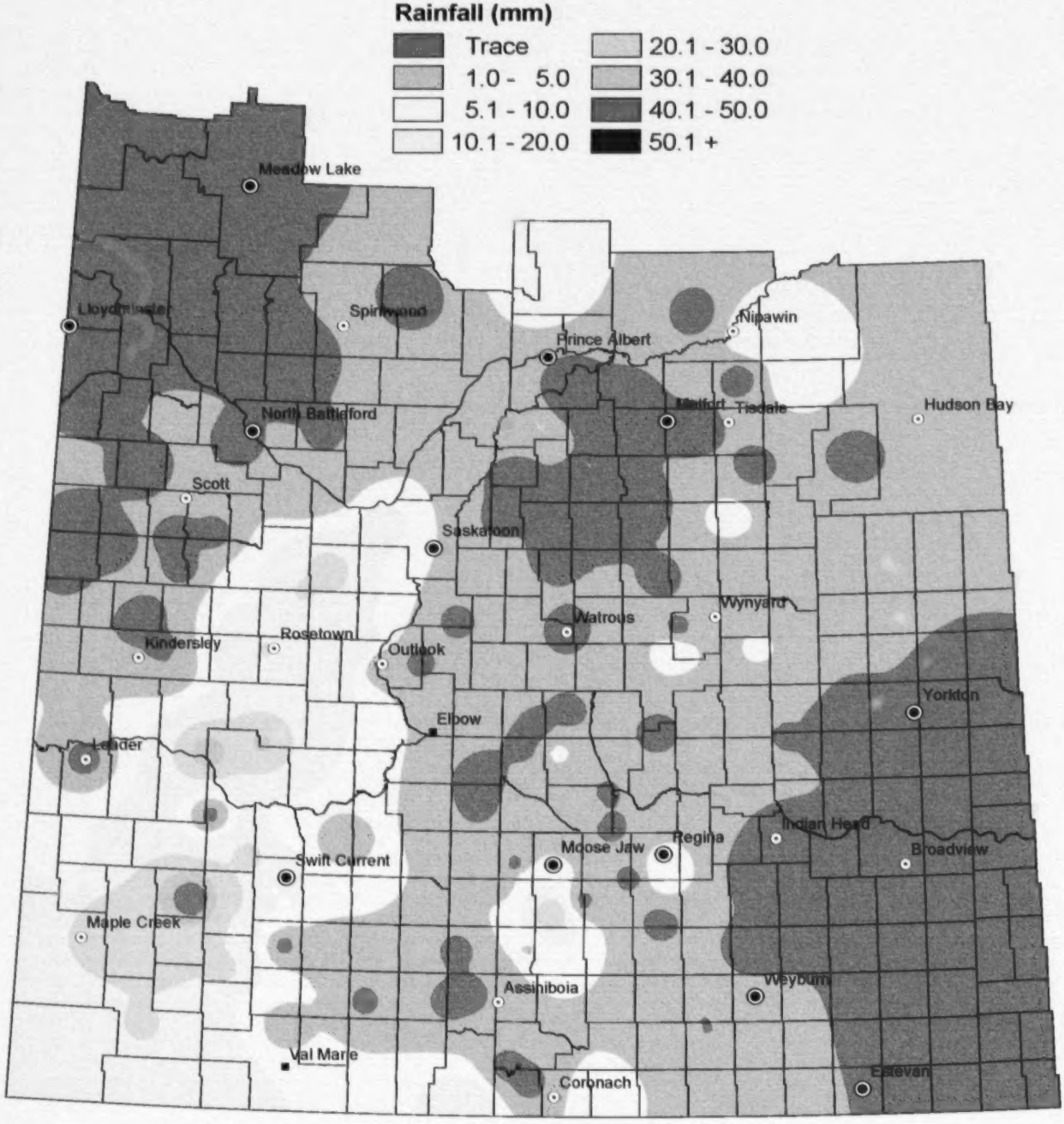
Weekly Rainfall

from May 3 to May 9, 2016



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Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters) 1 inch = 25 mm for the period May 3 to 9, 2016

Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr
1A	2	Mount Pleasant	NIL	39
	3	Enniskillen	NIL	26
	33	Moose Creek	NIL	32
	34	Browning	N/A	27
	61	Antler	N/A	N/A
	64	Brock	NIL	23
	85	Tecumseh	N/A	45
1B	91	Maryfield	NIL	42
	122	Martin	NIL	41
	123	Silverwood	NIL	37
	124 A	Kingsley	NIL	39
	124 B	Kingsley	N/A	N/A
	125 A	Chester	N/A	29
	125 B	Chester	NIL	44
	151	Rocanville	NIL	29
	154	Elcapo	NIL	33
	155	Wolseley	NIL	25
2A	67	Weyburn	2	32
	68	Brokenshell	2	28
	97	Wellington	NIL	10
2B	127 A	Francis	NIL	19
	127 B	Francis	NIL	7.5
	129	Bratt's Lake	NIL	7
	131 A	Baildon	NIL	6
	131 B	Baildon	30	40
	156 A	Indian Head	NIL	13.9
	156 B	Indian Head	NIL	33
	159	Sherwood	10	10
	160	Pense	NIL	5
	161	Moose Jaw	NIL	9
	162	Caron	NIL	16
	191	Marquis	62	62
3ASE	38 A	Laurier	NIL	32.8
	38 B	Laurier	4	23
	39	The Gap	8	38
3ASW	10	Happy Valley	8	51
	12	Poplar Valley	NIL	38
	40	Bengough	N/A	NIL
	42	Willow Bunch	NIL	30
	43	Old Post	20	43
	73 A	Stonehenge	NIL	19
	73 B	Stonehenge	NIL	22
3AN	101	Terrell	N/A	NIL
	102	Lake Johnston	4.8	15.2
	103	Sutton	NIL	8
	132 A	Hillsborough	3	15.5
	132 B	Hillsborough	10	28
	134	Shamrock	N/A	17
	193 A	Eyebrow	NIL	7
	193 B	Eyebrow	N/A	8
3BS	17	Val Marie	2	38.9
	18	Lone Tree	20	101.4
	75	Pinto Creek	NIL	27
	76	Auvergne	5	24
	77	Wise Creek	5	50
	78	Grassy Creek	14	68.1
	105	Glenbain	3	30
	106	Whiska Creek	1	24
	107	Lac Pelletier	NIL	19
	108	Bone Creek	22	53
3BN	138 A	Webb	29	65.5
	138 B	Webb	6	32
	166	Excelsior	2	14
	167	Sask. Landing	7	45.0
	168 A	Riverside	22	48
	168 B	Riverside	NIL	7
	226	Victory	N/A	NIL
	228	Lacadena	34	34
	257	Monet	31	32

Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr
4A	49	White Valley	21	64
	51	Reno	13.8	55.2
	79	Arlington	17	69
	109 A	Carmichael	22	49
	109 B	Carmichael	27	95
	110	Piapot	26	51
	111	Maple Creek	25	41.3
4B	139	Gull Lake	50	77
	142	Enterprise	8	31
	231	Happyland	NIL	19
5A	183	Fertile Belt	NIL	43
	211	Churchbridge	NIL	31
	213	Saltcoats	NIL	10
	241	Calder	N/A	NIL
	243	Wallace	NIL	15
	244	Orkney	NIL	8
	245 A	Garry	NIL	27
	245 B	Garry	NIL	10
	245 C	Garry	1	17
	246	Ituna Bon Accord	NIL	9
	247	Kellross	5	21
	248	Touchwood	1	8
5B	271	Cote	N/A	NIL
	273	Sliding Hills	NIL	37
	277	Emerald	6	15
	305	Invermay	5	20
	307	Elfros	3	41
	308 A	Big Quill	NIL	7
	308 B	Big Quill	10	35
	331	Livingston	NIL	45
	336	Sasman	3	17
	337	Lakeview	2	31
	338	Lakeside	2	24
	366	Kelvington	5	23
	367	Ponass Lake	8	31.5
6A	190 A	Dufferin	NIL	15
	190 B	Dufferin	5	28
	190 C	Dufferin	N/A	23
	190 D	Dufferin	NIL	NIL
	219 A	Longlaketon	NIL	2
	219 B	Longlaketon	1	29
	220	McKillop	NIL	5
	221 A	Sarnia	6	17.4
	221 B	Sarnia	2	12
	222	Craik	NIL	13
	251	Big Arm	NIL	NIL
	252	Arm River	NIL	16
	279	Mount Hope	3.5	6.6
	282	McCraney	1	15
	312	Morris	NIL	2
	313	Lost River	N/A	N/A
	339	Leroy	NIL	21.2
	340	Wolverine	1	8
	341	Viscount	NIL	12
	343	Blucher	3	7
6B	223 A	Huron	NIL	12
	223 B	Huron	NIL	6.5
	284	Rudy	NIL	11
	285 A	Fertile Valley	16.5	16.5
	285 B	Fertile Valley	NIL	4
	286	Milden	17	17
	314	Dundurn	NIL	7
	344	Corman Park	13	14
	346	Perdue	26	30
	376	Eagle Creek	8	8
	403	Rosthern	5	5

Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr
7A	287	St. Andrews	21	21
	288	Pleasant Valley	15	15
	290 A	Kindersley	1	8.7
	290 B	Kindersley	NIL	7.8
	290 C	Kindersley	N/A	9
	292	Milton	N/A	27
	317 A	Marriott	16	16
	317 B	Marriott	21	21
	318	Mountain View	9	12
	320 A	Oakdale	NIL	10.5
	320 B	Oakdale	NIL	10
	321	Prairiedale	1	19
7B	347	Biggar	NIL	4
	350 A	Mariposa	NIL	6.2
	350 B	Mariposa	NIL	5
	351	Progress	NIL	8
	352	Heart's Hill	NIL	20
	377	Glenside	1	1
	378	Rosemount	NIL	3
	379	Reford	NIL	4
	381	Grass Lake	N/A	3
	382	Eye Hill	NIL	20.2
	409	Buffalo	N/A	N/A
	410	Round Valley	NIL	NIL
8A	395	Porcupine	NIL	22
	397	Barrier Valley	NIL	26.7
	428	Star City	NIL	32
	456	Arborfield	10	43
	457	Connaught	NIL	30
	486	Moose Range	N/A	N/A
	487	Nipawin	10	54
8B	369	St. Peter	NIL	7
	370 A	Humboldt	NIL	7
	370 B	Humboldt	NIL	10
	371	Bayne	NIL	9
	372	Grant	0.3	7.7
	400	Three Lakes	NIL	17
	402	Fish Creek	NIL	7
	420	Flett's Springs	NIL	8
	459	Kinistino	NIL	10
	460	Birch Hills	NIL	4.3
9AE	488	Torch River	NIL	25
	520	Paddockwood	10	24.5
	521	Lakeland	10	24.5
9AW	406	Mayfield	1	2
	435	Redberry	4	8
	436	Douglas	NIL	NIL
	463	Duck Lake	2	3
	467 A	Round Hill	NIL	6
	467 B	Round Hill	NIL	NIL
	494	Canwood	NIL	17
9B	438	Battle River	NIL	NIL
	440	Hillsdale	N/A	4
	442	Manitou Lake	NIL	6.4
	498 A	Parkdale	NIL	2
	498 B	Parkdale	NIL	NIL
	499 A	Mervin	NIL	5
	499 B	Mervin	N/A	N/A
	501 A	Frenchman Butte	NIL	7
	501 B	Frenchman Butte	NIL	4
	501 C	Frenchman Butte	N/A	2
	502	Britannia	NIL	NIL
	561	Loon Lake	NIL	10
	588 A	Meadow Lake	NIL	20
	588 B	Meadow Lake	NIL	14
	622	Beaver River	N/A	1.3

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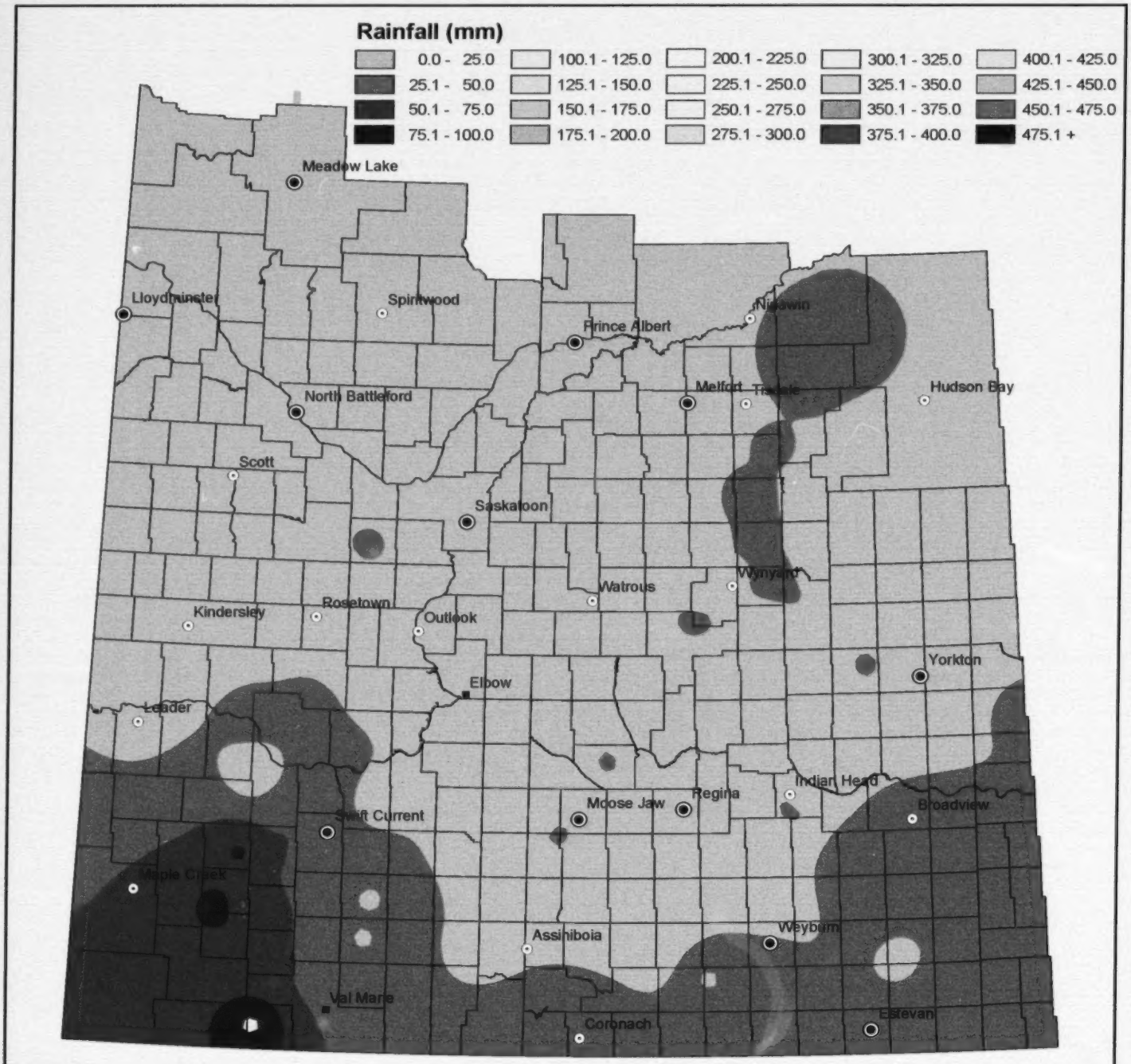

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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

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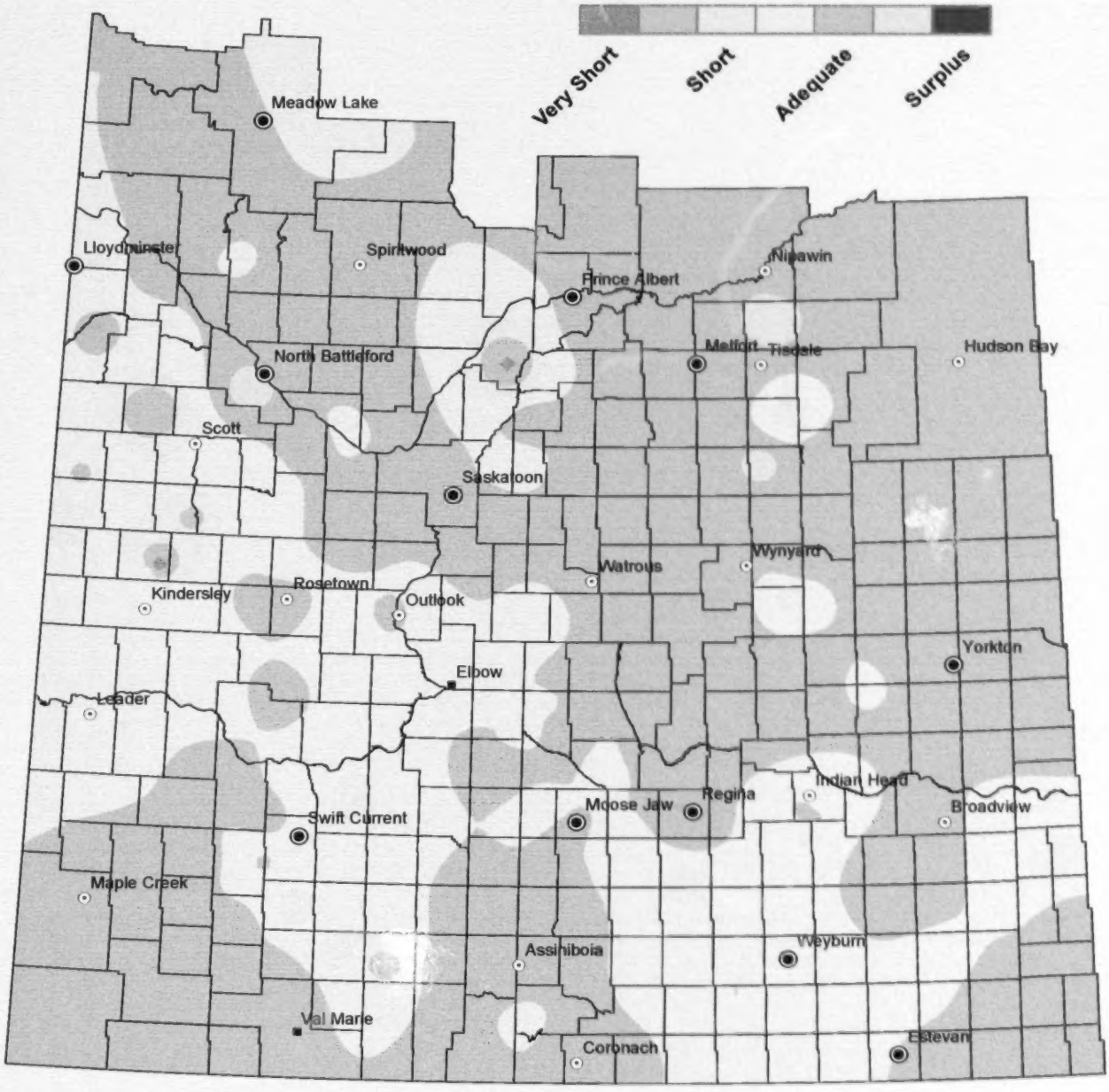

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Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions

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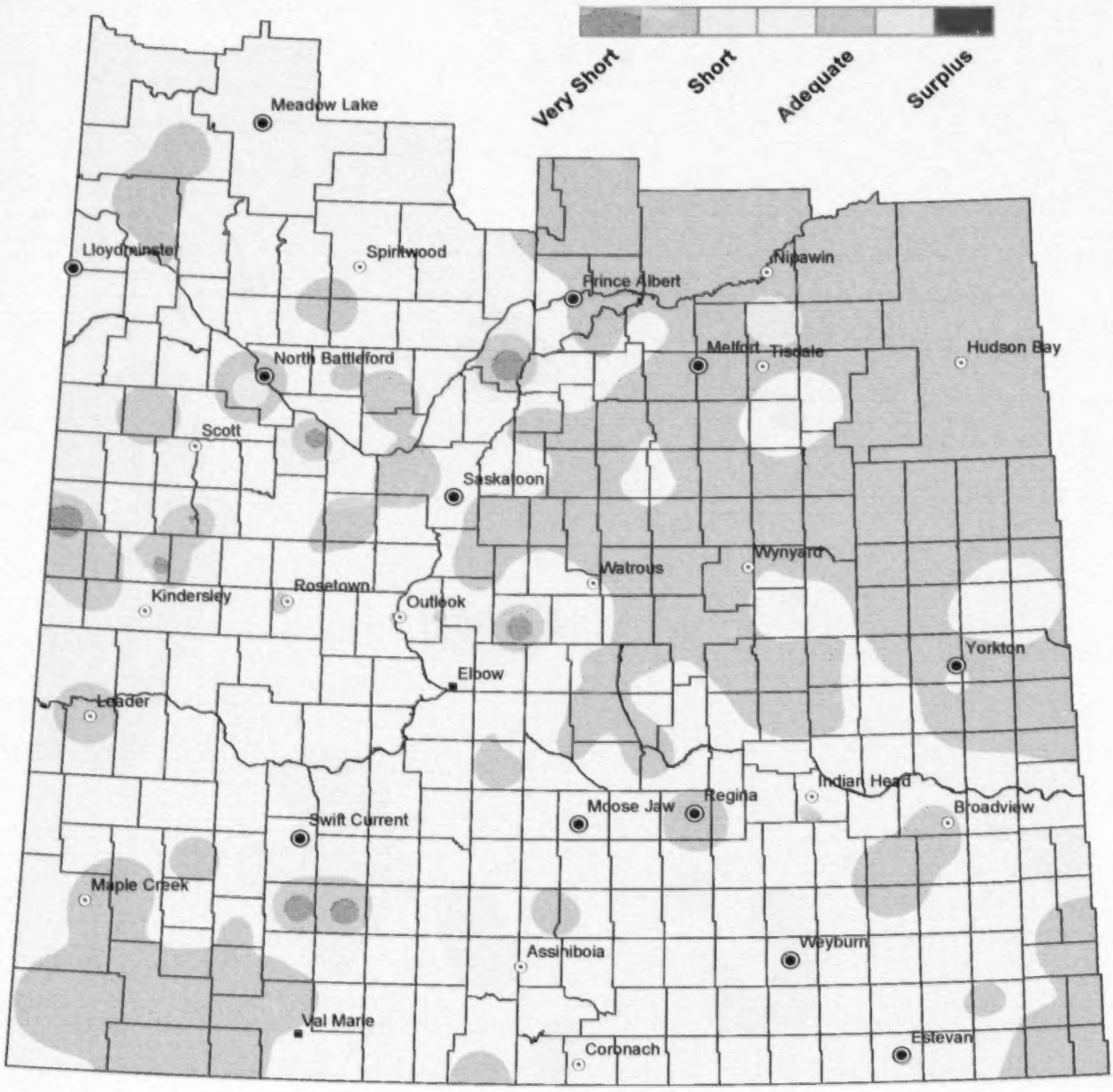

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